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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

R. W. Esmond et al.

Application No.: 09/394,712

Filed: September 13, 1999

For: Method for Treating or Preventing
Alzheimer's Disease

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) Group Art Unit: 1614
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) Examiner: Vickie Y. Kim
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2
of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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allowance and declaration of the interference. The Examiner and Applicants' counsel also discussed the proposed count (Applicants' claim 23) and the claims corresponding to the count. The Examiner indicated that the proposed Amendment and supplemental interference request appeared to be acceptable and that, once filed, Applicants could expect to receive a notice of suspension pending declaration of the interference.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of this application and timely allowance of the pending claims.

A Supplemental Request for Interference Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.607 is filed herewith. This request supplements the prior request for interference dated March 29, 2001. Prompt declaration of the interference is respectfully requested.

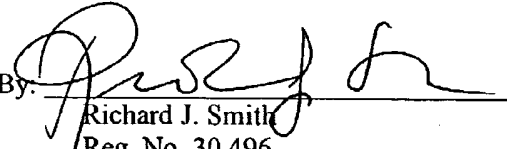
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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 9, 2004.

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

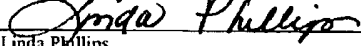
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